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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application
filed on or after June 8, 1995.
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/298,245
Filing Date	April 23, 1999
First Named Inventor	CHEN, Jau-Fei
Group Art Unit	1615
Examiner Name	Lakshmi Channavajjala
Attorney Docket Number	13246.0007

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply 04/09/2004 BABRAHA1 00000137 501723 09298245
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) 01 FC:2801 385.00 DA
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-1723
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$_____ enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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In re application of:	CHEN, Jau-Fei)	
)	Examiner: Lakshmi Channavajjala
Application No.:	09/298,245)	
)	Group Art Unit: 1615
Filed:	April 23, 1999)	
)	Docket No. 13246.0007
For:	CACTUS FRUIT SKIN)	
	CARE PRODUCTS)	
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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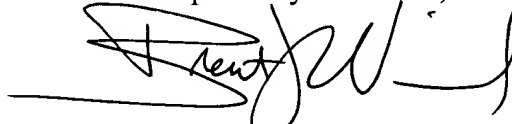
Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, applicant requests continued examination of the above-identified application.

Filed concurrently with this Request is a "RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED OCTOBER 8, 2003," which satisfies the requirements of a "submission" under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

Authorization is further given to charge any underpayment or to credit any overpayment in connection with this matter to Deposit Account 50-1723.

Respectfully submitted,

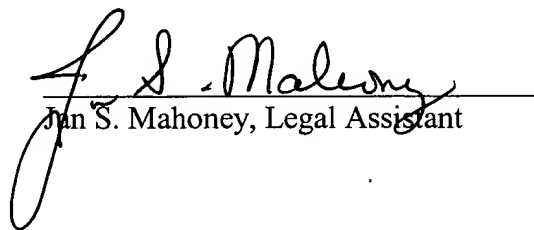


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